ATTACHMENT 4

Income Exclusions

Certain types of income are exempt in determining eligibility. They include but are not limited to:

- 1. Earned income of all children in the household. School attendance has no bearing on the income being excluded;
- 2. Educational loans, scholarships or grants from <u>all</u> sources; whether for under-graduate or graduate student;
- 3. Loans that require repayment This loan must be verified, i.e. a written, notarized contractual agreement must exist between the parties. It is not enough to say, "My mother loaned me \$500 and I have to pay it back";
- 4. Work study and fellowships;
- 5. TANF benefits, County General Assistance and BIA General Assistance;
- 6. Utility payment subsidies payable to the family;
- 7. Irregular cash gifts;
- 8. Nonrecurring lump sum payments such as Social Security, SSI, Workers Compensation, Veterans Administration, insurance settlements, child support collected, etc.;
- 9. Payment of vacation, sick leave, or severance pay, when a person quits, retires, or loses a job for any other reason;
- 10. Any bonus, incentive payment, commission, etc. that is a one-time payment and not expected to ever occur again with certainty in the foreseeable future will be disregarded in computing monthly income. This would be such things as: reenlistment bonuses, recruiting a nurse bonus, new employee sign up bonus, oil lease bonus none of which can be expected to occur again with any certainty;
- 11. Game winnings;
- 12. All dividends and interest from savings and checking accounts, if accrued;
- 13. Individual Indian Monies up to \$2,000 per year, which is derived from land leases of individually owned trust or restricted lands. If from other sources it is countable;
- 14. Family subsidy payments;
- 15. Subsidized Guardianship payments;

- 16. Foster Care payments;
- 17. Adoption Assistance payments;
- 18. Vendor payments or payments made to others on the household's behalf, provided that such payments were not directed to the household; e.g., the payment does not go through the family but to a third party;
- 19. Reimbursement for expenses incurred in connection with employment. Example: Air Force personnel receive income that is to be used for uniforms, this is to be deducted from the normal pay;
- 20. Reimbursement for other work related expenses incurred such as for medical expenses, per diem, travel and lodging;
- 21. Irregular income from sale of craft items, rummage sales, et cetera;
- 22. Income tax refunds and earned income tax credits;
- 23. Cafeteria or Flex Comp Plan income. This allows the employee to have a regular deduction from his <u>gross</u> income set aside in a special account, from which the employee can later receive reimbursement for certain expenses;
 - Child Care Assistance must use the <u>gross</u> income <u>before</u> the Flex Comp deduction is made. When the Flex Comp income is paid to the family it is not counted as income again;
- 24. Loss settlement. Disregard only the portion obligated to replace the loss or pay off indebtedness;
- 25. Assistance to individuals other than wages, under Older Americans Act of 1965, Public Law 95-478;
- 26. Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC), Public Law 94-105, and the National School Lunch Program, Public Law 90-302;
- 27. Earnings from on-the-job training provided by Workforce Investment Act (WIA) Public Law 97-300, Summer Youth Employment and Training Program;
- 28. Value of Food Coupons and value of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT), Public Law 95-113, and Food Commodities, Public Law 74-320;
- 29. Per capita payments to Indians under Public Law 97-403;
- 30. Payments received under the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 by American-Japanese citizens displaced during World War II;
- 31. Payments received under Public Law 101-201 regarding Agent Orange settlements;

- 32. Radiation Exposure Act Settlements under Public Law 101-426:
- 33. Funding raising for a family when the family does **not** have access to the monies;
- 34. Income from a contract for deed;
- 35. GI Montgomery Bill, Education Assistance; and
- 36. Wages received as the result of participation in Experience Works (previously known as Green Thumb Program) and the Foster Grandparent Program.